date for the Senate.

GREENFIELD, July 4—When Rev C. E. Beals, the pastor of the Second Congregational church, gave his address to the graduating class of the high school, he deliberately placed himself in the ranks of modern socialists. Viewed from the standpoint of what is called selfish capital, he attacked the sacred rights of property.

There has never been any difficulty for the ministers in this vicinity in airing their advanced theories so long as there was nothing more than glittering generalities. When Mr Beals stated "It is recorded that in one year the Willimantic linen company paid its employes 90 cents a day and declared an 80 percent dividend," local people knew very well that he had in mind people in his own church who are securing large dividends and are paying small wages. The dividends are not nearly as large as those mentioned by Mr Beals, and the wages are not nearly as small, but that is the only difference.

The local men are good citizens in the general sense. They are generous supporters of the Second Congregational church, and some of them have subscribed $300 each toward the erection of the proposed new parsonage.

In view of these facts, it took courage on the part of Mr Beals to say what he did. Here are a few sentences that show how keenly Mr Beals feels: "Is it to be wondered at that discontent is rife? Men deserve to be slaves if they consent to be slaves, and I believe that the church preaches the wickedest kind of heresy when it says to the workman, 'Submit, be content, in heaven all things will be made right.' Christianity means justice on earth. The condemnation of the existing industrial system is that it brutalizes manhood. Success is measured in dollars. Dividends are of more importance than manhood and character.

"The next natural forward step in social evolution will be the transfer of great consolidated industries from trusts and private capitalism to public ownership. Some day the people will own the railroads and coal mines and all the larger necessary business of the land."

On Wednesday Frank O. Wells, president of Wells Bros & Co, withdrew, for a season at least, from the church. He is chairman of the parish committee or assessors, as they are termed, and chairman of the committee on building a new parsonage. He and Mr Beals had a frank talk Tuesday evening. Mr Wells did not feel that he could conscientiously give his support to the church with Mr Beals standing on a socialist platform.

Mr Beals was installed pastor of the local church Oct 12, 1900. His work has been very successful. He is not considered a great preacher, but his sermons are short and to the point. The everyday people of his parish like him because he is kind and because he sympathizes with them in their struggles.

If Mr Beals should preach and work for socialism the general feeling is that in a short time he will be compelled to look for another parish.

The Greenfield & Turners Falls street railway company has about 70 Italians engaged in construction work, largely on Main st. They live in Deerfield in a modest way, and are content with plain food. At one time the company had a larger force employed, when the Greenfield, Deerfield & Northampton road was being constructed. As the force was lessened the best men were retained. These men work as though they delighted in their labor. Of course, they accomplish much more than those who are going through the motions and doing as little as they can. The most skilful men are paid $1.75 a day, and those less skilful are paid $1.50 a day.

The annual report of the girls' club has just been issued in pamphlet form. The membership is now 218, against 178 last year and 156 the year before. The class membership has been 202. Miss Washburn, the president, in the report says: "The present success of the club is due to Miss Griffith, the secretary, whose enthusiasm and personal efforts have widely extended the influence of the club." While the work of Miss Griffith has been particularly effective, very much of the success is due to the work of Miss Washburn.

There are many who feel that there should be a similar club for boys. Those who have given thought to the matter feel that a club for boys as efficiently managed as the club for girls has been, would count strongly for good citizenship in the years to come. All that is needed is leadership and work. There are plenty of people who are ready to give the money if such a man as Joseph W. Stevens, or others who might be named, would lead off. Mr Stevens is a very busy man and to many it has been a surprise that he has been willing to serve so long as he has as chairman of the school board. It is only a sense of duty that has kept him in the harness so long.

Eugene A. Newcomb is another man who could lead in the work. But Mr Newcomb has so many duties that he will not increase his work. He believes that it is easy to work intemperately. It is as true of Greenfield as of other places that it is only the busy man who find time to take on additional work.

The cost of maintainance of the girls' club for the past year was only about $1000. There were subscriptions of $792 and the membership fees brought in $109. The salary paid to the secretary was $587, the rental was $137 and the care of the rooms $55. These were the largest items in the disbursements.

A little book is to be published in Boston which will give much interesting information and a considerable number of pictures of baseball at Harvard university. Daniel Putnam Abercrombie of Turners Falls played center field in the first Harvard team. A photograph of the first university nine is owned by Mr Abercrombie and he has loaned it to the publisher for the forthcoming book.

It is known that Representative Frank

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